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Dear John:

The McKownville Improvement Association is again requesting your time, your skills, your extraordinary ability as an attorney so that we might be represented by counsel.

The officers, the Board of Directors, and the members of the McKownville Improvement Association are mindful that you have already contributed over two years to our battle against Pyramid Crossgates. You have taken time away from your family and other personal interests to serve as the attorney for the Association and with great talent and ability. Though the Crossgates matter is not yet concluded, and will continue to take an unreasonable amount of your time, we very much would appreciate your again serving as our attorney. We are again embarrassed to ask for your services without being able to offer you compensation, but as a member of the Association you know that we are but a volunteer neighborhood group, a group without significant dues and very little chance of collecting donations which could adequately compensate you for your efforts.

The Association realizes that you cannot serve as our attorney when it conflicts with your work schedule with the State of New York; we also realize that should litigation result from this hearing, the Association in all likelihood will not be able to presume upon your good services since the litigation is an all-day-every-day activity with significant court costs. But if you could serve as our attorney when it is possible, given your schedule, the Association would greatly appreciate it.

The Association and the people of McKownville again want to ~~express~~ express their deep appreciation to you and your family for the outstanding job you have done representing us at the Crossgates hearings. We hope that you can again find time to help us in this additionally important matter.

Very truly yours,

Donald J. Reeb, President
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Association
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